

CITY OF BRUNSWICK

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Policy Title: APPLICATION OF PESTICIDES/HERBICIDES ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AND

RIGHT-OF-WAYS

Effective Date: March 23, 2010

Policy Number: 10-01

Discussion:

The City of Brunswick acknowledges the need for pesticide and/or herbicide use to control undesirable vegetation. The City also recognizes the need to audit/monitor and control the use of these chemicals on City-owned or leased properties and right-of-ways. This policy regulates the applications of pesticides and/or herbicides by any individual.

Definitions:

<u>Chemicals</u> - any herbicide or pesticide applied to control undesirable vegetation. <u>Undesirable Vegetation</u> - any noxious, invasive, or exotic weeds or woody-stemmed plants.

Policy:

The following applies to any person, including but not limited to, City staff and City contractors applying chemicals on City-owned or leased properties and/or right-of-ways.

- 1. The City will comply with regulations set forth by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Maryland Department of Agriculture (MDA), including but not limited, pre-notification to individuals enrolled in the MDA **Pesticide Sensitive Individual Program** and post-notification upon application (flagging).
- 2. The City will maintain a Public Agency Permit for chemical application.
- 3. The City will have one or more certified applicator on staff at all times. The certified staff member may train other employees for chemical application and shall be available during application.
- 4. All products used by the City and/or contractors shall be registered with the EPA and MDA, as required.
- 5. The City will not permit the application of restricted-use chemicals on City-owned or leased properties and right-of-ways, as identified by EPA and MDA.

- 6. City Administrator must be notified of any application occurring on City-owned or leased properties and right-of-ways at least 48 hours in advance. These notifications may be made at administrator@brunswickmd.gov, assistant@brunswickmd.gov, or 301-834-7500 x1.
- 7. The City will comply with the **Pesticide Sensitive Individual Notification Program**, as set forth by MDA. Pre-notification will be made only to individuals registered with the program by email, electronic messaging, or phone.
- 8. Post application notification will be posted at City Hall, City website, www.brunswickmd.gov, community cable channel 99, and/or electronic messaging, i.e., Nixle. Individuals must register at Nixle.com to receive text messages. These will be sent as "Advisory" Nixle message.
- 10. A log of chemical applications shall be maintained at City Hall and/or on www.brunswickmd.gov, and available for public inspection.

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